

Monday, 10 o'clock, a. m.
January 24th, 1848.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

The following Senators answered to their names :

Messrs. Abbott, Bourland, Bache, Clark, Cuny, Dancy, Gage, Grimes, Jewett, McRae, Perkins, Phillips, Wallace, Williams and Wooten—quorum present.

The Journal of the preceding day was read and adopted.

Mr. Williams presented the petition of the citizens of Peters' colony, which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Williams, referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

Mr. Williams presented the petition of John S. Beeman and others, which,

On motion of Mr. Williams, was referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

Mr. Abbott, chairman of the committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

Committee Room,
Jan. 24th, 1848.

HON. JOHN A. GREER,
President of the Senate :

The committee on Enrolled Bills have instructed me to report a bill to be entitled an act to authorize the Treasurer and Comptroller to pay over and deliver to Andrew Northington, assignee of the heirs of Caleb Kemp, the money and papers deposited with them by William J. Maynard, administrator of the estate of said Caleb Kemp, correctly Enrolled, and that said bill was transmitted to the Governor on the 22d instant, for approval.

W. C. ABBOTT, Chairman.

Mr. Phillips offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the committee on Finance take into consideration the propriety of ascertaining, at an early day, the amounts due by the State to the several district clerks of the old Republic of Texas, and now State of Texas, for their offi

cial services on behalf of the State; and also the propriety of discharging the same by installments in money, and pro rata distribution under annual appropriations for that purpose, or by land certificates, at a valuation to be fixed by law."

Adopted.

Senate proceeded to the Orders of the Day.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate Protection Fire Company No. 1, city of Houston, was read third time and passed, by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Abbott, Bourland, Brashear, Bache, Clark, Cuny, Dancy, Grimes, Jewett, McRae, Perkins, Phillips, Wallace, Williams and Wootten—15.

Nays—Mr. Gage—1.

A bill to be entitled an act to organize the militia of Santa Fe, together with the report of the committee on the militia thereon, reporting amendments, was read, and report adopted, and a bill as amended ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Perkins, chairman of the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following bills correctly engrossed: viz.:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the sale of lots in the city of Austin and the tract adjoining;

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the heirs of Patrick Reels; and

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for vesting in the State escheated property.

Mr. Perkins introduced a bill to be entitled an act to change the name of Thomas Harvey, to Thomas Harvey Forrester.

Read first time.

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal the laws of the late Republic of Texas, creating a board of medical censors. Read second time, and

On motion of Mr. Brashear, referred to the committee on State Affairs.

A bill to be entitled an act to permit married women to devise their separate property. Read second time, and

On motion of Mr. Dancy, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Joint resolutions instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress to procure the passage of a law restricting the United States District Court, for the District of Texas, from trying titles to land. Read second time, and

On motion of Mr. Abbott, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A bill to be entitled an act better defining the boundaries of Nueces county.

Read second time.

Mr. Phillips moved to amend by striking out the second, third and fourth sections of the bill.

Adopted, and bill as amended referred to the committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

A bill to be entitled an act to define the county boundaries of Goliad county.

Read first time.

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the German Texian Friendship Association of Galveston.

Read first time.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, on the petition of Rhesa Green Stalcup and Mary Ann Stalcup, reporting the following bills, was read:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the marriage of Rhesa Green Stalcup and Mary Ann Miller.

Read first time.

A bill to be entitled an act to legitimate Mary Malicia Stalcup, and render her capable of taking by descent the estate or estates of her parents, Rhesa Green Stalcup and Mary Ann Stalcup.

Read first time.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the heirs of Patrick Reels.

Read third time and passed.

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the sale of lots in the city of Austin and tract adjoining.

Read third time and passed.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for vesting in the State escheated property.

Read third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Cuny, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.